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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A multi-wavelength laser source (MWLS) system, comprising:
 - (a) first and second monochromatic lasers having first (f_1) and second (f_2) lasing frequencies, respectively;
 - (b) means for amplifying combined signals of said first and second lasers;
 - (c) means for multiplying the amplified combined signals to yield comblike multi-channel WDM laser signals separated from each other by a frequency equal to the difference between f1 and f2.
- The system as defined in claim 1, said means for multiplying comprising a
 plurality of serially interconnected optical fiber sections each having
 predetermined propagation characteristics for said amplified combined signals.
- 3. The system as defined in claim 2, said predetermined propagation characteristics being propagation mode, dispersion and length.
- 4. The system as defined in claim 3, said plurality of serially interconnected fiber sections being five having lengths L₁, L₂, L₃, L₄ and L₅, respectively, L₁ being the first section, and L₅ being the last section.
- 5. The system as defined in claim 4, the third fiber section being a single mode fiber (SMF) section.
- 6. The system as defined in claim 5, the first, second, fourth and fight fiber section being dispersion shifted fiber (DSF) sections.

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- 7. The system as described in claim 6, which L_1 = 1.1 km, L_2 = 1.1 km, L_3 = 20 m, L_4 = 1 km and L_5 = 1 km.
- 8. The system as defined in claim 7, said fine fiber section, having associated dispersion value, D_1 to D_5 as follows: $D_1 = -0.399$; $D_2 = 0.402$; $D_3 = 16$; $D_4 = 0.402$ and $D_5 = -0.399$, all in units of ps/km/nm.
- 9. The system as described in claim 8, wherein f1 and f2 correspond to wavelengths in the vicinity of 1550 nm.
- 10. A method of reducing stimulated Brillouin scattering (SBS) in a system as defined in claim 2, comprising the step of modulating said first and second monochromatic lasers by a very low frequency signal.